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TITLE

NONAQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE FOR

SECONDARY BATTERY AND

NONAQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE

SECONDARY BATTERY

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C & & \\
C & & \\
R^2 & & \\
R^3 & & \\
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ABSTRACT:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To retard reduction reaction of a solvent and to enhance charge/ discharge efficiency even when high crystalline carbon such as graphite is used in a negative electrode by constituting an electrolyte with a nonaqueous solvent containing cyclic carbonate and an electrolyte.

SOLUTION: Cyclic carbonate represented by the formula retards reduction decomposition of propylene carbonate or the like by graphite in charging and enhances battery characteristics at a low temperature. A lithium salt is preferably used as an electrolyte, lithium metal, a lithium alloy, or a carbon material capable of doping/undoping lithium ions is used as a negative active material, and a composite oxide of lithium and a transition metal, a carbon material, or a mixture of them is used as a positive active material. [In the formula, R1-R4 are each hydrogen atom, 1-7C alkyl group, -CH2OR5, -CH2OCOR6, or 2-7C hydrocarbon group containing non-conjugated unsaturated bond at least one of which having this bond; R5, R6 are 1-7C alkyl group or 2-7C hydrocarbon group containing non-conjugated unsaturated bond].

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